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SUBJECT: GOU SAYS ASIANS SLIPPING BACK IN

1. GOU SPOKESMAN ISSUED STATEMENT MARCH 19 EXPRESSING SERIOUS CONCERN THAT ASIANS ARE RETURNING TO UGANDA ILLEGALLY AND ARE SMUGGLING COUNTRY'S CURRENCY. HE SAID THESE ASIANS ARE STAYING WITH FELLOW ASIANS WHO REMAINED IN COUNTRY. SPOKESMAN INSTRUCTED ALL CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS TO CHECK THOROUGHLY THAT NONE OF THESE PEOPLE ENTER AND SAID ANYONE FOUND HIDING SUCH PERSONS WOULD BE SEVERELY PUNISHED.

2. COMMENT: EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS CHARGE IS BASELESS. WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY SUCH ACTIVITY AND CAN FATHOM NO REASON WHY AN ASIAN WOULD WANT TO RETURN OR WANT UGANDA CURRENCY. THERE WAS, BESIDES OTHER MUCH MORE VALID REASONS, SPIRIT OF RACIAL ANTAGONISM INVOLVED IN EXPULSION OF ASIANS AND AMIN MAY BE SOMEWHAT PIQUED THAT THERE ARE STILL AS MANY ASIAN CITIZENS AROUND AS THERE ARE, PROBABLY ABOUT 1,000. OTHER METHODS HAVE BEEN TRIED TO GET RID OF THEM-- THREAT TO MOVE THEM TO KARAMOJA, TAKING AWAY OF BUSINESSES DESPITE CITIZENSHIP, CONFISCATION OF HOMES. PERHAPS THIS IS SIMPLY NEW STEP TO
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DISCOURAGE ASIAN CITIZENS FROM REMAINING IN COUNTRY.
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